

MARICOPA COUNTY LIBRARY DISTRICT BOARD OF DIRECTORS MINUTE BOOK

SPECIAL SESSION

April 16, 2003

The Board of Directors of Maricopa County Library District, Phoenix, Arizona convened at 11:30 a.m. April 16, 2003, at the Library District Headquarters at 17811 North 32nd Street, Phoenix, Arizona, with the following members present: Andy Kunasek, Vice Chairman; Don Stapley, Max W. Wilson, and Mary Rose Wilcox. Absent: Fulton Brock, Chairman. Also present: Fran McCarroll, Clerk of the Board; and Paul Golab, Deputy County Attorney.

DEDICATION OF THE GEORGE L. CAMPBELL BUILDING

Item: Approve naming the Library District-owned building located at 17811 N. 32nd Street, the George L. Campbell Building and direct that an appropriate plaque be placed in a prominent position, so stating this designation. Estimated cost of this plaque and installation is \$500. (C65030379) (ADM2800)

Acting Chairman, Andy Kunasek, welcomed the guests to this special occasion at the library.

A number of dignitaries were present to honor George L. Campbell on this special occasion. Mayor Keegan of Peoria opened the ceremony by saying that he and Mr. Campbell had always been very good friends and he thanked him for his friendship and for the years of public service he had given to the citizens of Maricopa County.

Supervisors Wilson and Wilcox remembered that he had also served on the Planning Commission where he had done considerable work on road and street issues in the County and how helpful he had been to a new supervisor's orientation into County government.

Supervisor Stapley said renaming this building for Mr. Campbell, a man who had proven time and again how much he really cared for the citizens of this county and state as a whole, was very appropriate since his public life had been devoted to the idea of regional planning and benefits for the whole, and this library was an example of regional thinking for the whole.

Secretary of State Jan Brewer recounted a long history with Mr. Campbell and remembered that when he served in the House he lobbied on County issues, when he served in the Senate he lobbied on County issues and he always stood ready to offer help in explaining County issues because he understood them so well.

County Recorder Helen Purcell said that Mr. Campbell had been her campaign manager in seeking her first elected office and she attributed her win to his help and advice. She thanked Mr. Campbell for his years of friendship and of good, sound advice.

Steve Cleveland, City of Goodyear, said that Goodyear had recognized a champion in Mr. Campbell for his knowledge on water and roads and thanked him again for his many contributions.

Representative Clancy Jayne spoke of the help Mr. Campbell had been to him and the great admiration conveyed from Speaker Jake Flake who also remembered the hours of advice and assistance so freely given by Mr. Campbell. The Honorable Lisa Graham Keegan echoed this accolade and cited an abundance of advice she had received on policy matters from Mr. Campbell.

Phoenix City Councilwoman Neely stated that Mr. Campbell has been a wonderful statesman who set a standard for public service that is difficult to attain.

Shawn Nobel, representing Congressman Shadegg's office, extended thanks and admiration from the Congressman for Mr. Campbell's good example, many years of service and exemplary life.

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Motion was made by Supervisor Don Stapley to approve the dedication of this Library as the George L. Campbell Building.

Supervisor Max Wilson seconded Supervisor Stapley's motion for approval, which carried unanimously (4-0-1). A temporary plaque was shown in lieu of the permanent bronze plaque that will be ordered and will be erected in a prominent place of honor.

George Campbell spoke from his wheelchair, saying that had enjoyed the different roles he had filled for the State and for Maricopa County and those things he may have accomplished. He said that he particularly felt great pride in this Library. He explained that on his first visit he had gone back to the children's room and had seen its tiny tables and chairs filled with children of all ages using computers and he had marveled and also been elated at this sight. He stated, "I had to go visit all the other libraries and tell them to remodel and do the same thing, and to fill all their small tables and chairs with children on computers, because that is the future." He observed that he had reached a life plateau from which it was very satisfying to realize and accept such a generous gift as having such a building named for him. "Because it is one that is filled with great potential for raising the understanding of today's youth so they can better meet tomorrows challenges with a sense of satisfaction in what they achieve."

MEETING ADJOURNED

There being no further business to come before the Board, the meeting was adjourned.

Fulton Brock, Chairman of the Board

ATTEST:

Fran McCarroll, Clerk of the Board